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ARE YOU AIDING THE ENEMY?

Former Governor Carter is doing a good missionary work in bringing the people of Hawaii to a realization that we are at war.

Naturally of a kindly disposition and confident of our strength, we have been excessively lenient in our attitude toward the alien enemy; American citizens have taken the attitude of bystanders. The remark has been passed, "If we were in their place we would do the same," assuming that the civilian citizen is apart from the military organization of the country.

It is time that kind-hearted or weak-minded people should be reminded that the period of false sentimentality has passed. The enemy is proved to be in our midst.

There can be no fine definitions in determining the friend or the enemy.

You are either for or against.

You cannot be an American worthy the name and sympathize with the murderous activities of the enemy.

You cannot be an American and at the same time either advisedly or through plain weak folly give aid and counsel to the enemy.

The American people have awakened but slowly to the spy menace and the threat of German agents. This is manifested not only in the information that may be sent to the enemy but also in plotting disturbances throughout the country.

Long before the war began we had evidence of German attacks upon the peace and business interests of the United States and it was proved that the wires that were laid for some of these plots led directly to the German embassy at Washington. We know that Von Bernstorff plotted to embroil the United States with Mexico and Japan, we know of plots against shipping and munition plants, but dangerous as these were before the United States entered the war they are much more dangerous today.

Almost every day discloses evidence of the activities of German agents in this country. But a short time ago two professors at the University of Nebraska were arrested charged with plotting. We have recently read of efforts by Teutonic agents to cripple the shipping activities on the Great Lakes. Plots that have aimed at the destruction of growing crops and munition plants have been discovered and now government officials are hunting L. W. leaders alleging that they were responsible for the recent race riots in East St. Louis.

Such plotting is new to the people of the United States, although it has long been in evidence in European countries. Early in the war Great Britain took the step now taken by President Wilson of placing a ban upon the operations of German machine and war insurance companies. We, as a nation, have moved slowly. Our people are yet unsuspicious but they are getting their eyes opened.

Americans everywhere must keep their eyes open for suspicious circumstances and will do their full duty only if they make immediate report of such to the proper authorities. It is a work in which all can assist in making the task of the officials easier. None know who may be plotting and but the other day the public safety committee of Nebraska made the open statement that Nebraska is permeated by German sympathizers and calling upon the people to aid in rooting out any improper activities.

This country is now at war and the tolerance of peace times is no longer permissible.

OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR BOYS

Young men of Hawaii have the best possible opportunity for military training offered them in the officers' training camp to be established at Schofield Barracks.

Here are all the branches of the service and the best men of the service to give the young men special attention. While local army posts have enough to do, there is not the overwork that must be universal in the great training camps of the East.

Young men of Hawaii, here is your chance.

News mention has been made of the designation of big business dividends to the Red Cross fund. The Standard Oil Company is one corporation named in this connection. A late issue of the Brooklyn Standard Union expresses regret that "the special Red Cross dividends recently declared by many corporations are not finding their way into the Red Cross fund as freely as expected." One explanation is that the fact is probably due somewhat to thoughtlessness of stockholders, while another is that many of these people have already helped the organization and consequently feel they can pocket the checks without disturbing their conscience. In commenting on the subject the Brooklyn paper admits that the stockholder may not be morally bound to accept the suggestion of the directors, but concludes with the remarks: "The generous, patriotic way is to send in the checks to the Red Cross. The money is badly needed."

What have you done this day in the service of your country?

HAWAII PLANTERS ARE REAPING FINE PROFITS FROM CROPS OF SUGAR

The fact that small farming will succeed in this territory is fully demonstrated in the reports from the owners of homestead lots at Lapele, where the holdings have practically all been devoted to the production of cane, says the Hawaii Post. At the present price of sugar, the planter is reaping a splendid profit.

the price being, according to a statement by one of these prominent growers, \$7 per ton of cane.

This very satisfactory condition is due to the fact that the homesteader is becoming aware that it is best to confine his time and attention to a crop, a failure of which has never yet been recorded in the territory, and to abandon all experimental projects which have heretofore brought him little or no financial gain. The pretty cottages dotted over the sloping landscape as one views them from the passing train, can but attest the admiration for the pluck and energy of the sturdy one who have so gratifyingly demonstrated that small farming, done in a business-like manner, can be made a huge success.

A patching gang from the road department started work yesterday on Wyllie street. The road is in a bad condition and although an improvement district is planned it will be put into a passable condition until the permanent work starts.

U-BOAT FAILURE

Has it occurred to the average reader—that of course excepts the Prussianized gentry—that the submarine warfare, as carried on by Germany, is a failure? While ships are sent to the bottom by the torpedo of a U-boat, the "general slaughter" as promised by the Teutons, has not materialized.

The system of calculation used by Germany, which gave that benighted country license to predict the complete humbling, and even supplication when facing starvation, of the people of England within a limited time, seems to have been all wrong. The supposed reasoning by the Teutons that a certain percentage of England's shipping could be destroyed each twenty-four hours was easily arrived at, on paper. In this period the then known total tonnage would be completely eliminated and at a given date, named by Germany, England would cry to Germany for bread and receive a stone.

But it didn't work out in practice as it did in theory and figures, and the date at which England was to capitulate was set further along the calendar.

Again and again the "Day of Reckoning" from the Teuton standpoint, has been postponed, and at the present moment starvation is as far from England as it was when the first British vessel was sent to the bottom. There is actually sufficient in England. The home farms are producing supplies in abundance, and a large increase of acreage is planned for the coming year.

As a blockading proposition the German U-boats have succeeded in destroying a vast number of women and children, but failed in their main purpose.

According to the vote of the senate, a large number of that body are willing to slide out from under the prohibition issue. Are we to understand that the states acting independently are to determine whether prohibition should be enforced as a war measure? If so, this is quite contrary to the congressional record on other vital matters. If the question is passed to Hawaii to answer as a territory, we will be ready to start on a moment's notice.

"Hawaiian Pineapple Products Co., Dole's Pineapple Juice, San Francisco, Cal.," is the text of a paragraph appearing in a preliminary list, furnished by the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, of the companies that manufacture non-alcoholic beverages, table waters, etc., the name of the product and the agency through which the advertising is placed. Has it come to the point where even the industries founded in Hawaii must claim a foreign home?

It is now supposed that Hawaii once was connected by land with Java. The two countries have long been held as being connected by language. Hawaii is in fact believed to be the same word as Java, only changed in form by filtration through Pacific islands—"Savaii," an island of the Samoa group, being one form of the name.

Within the past fortnight two million cartridges are reported to have been received in Mexico under the ruling of the United States government permitting ammunition to be sent to the Mexican government. This is a striking commentary on the German plot to start a war between Mexico and this country.

While Hollinger points with pride to a perpetual succession of patriots in county offices, Pacheco views with alarm an endless chain of plain Republican politicians feeding at the municipal crib. What the people are looking for is results in city management.

No long explanations are needed to determine whether the men in public office are doing the business of the people or the business of politics. The results tell the story. These are not days when cheap politicians can "get by" with the old-time bluff.

Secretary McAdoo is sitting up nights trying to figure out the best method of emulating Moses, so that when he strikes the rock of business, floods of coin will come forth.

When the women once settle down to a food control scheme you may know that food will be controlled. The brain that directs the kitchen is just as powerful as the foot that rocks the cradle.

It is for those who have been in the service of the enemy to prove that they are friends of the United States.

That German aerial commander who sneers at America's entrance upon winged warfare may shortly be hunting for a thick cloud to hide behind.

First potatoes dropped and now ocean freights are to be brought down. War hath its victories as well as peace.

Have you helped reduce the waste of bananas?

Proofs of Patriotism



CLAIMS FOR EXEMPTIONS TO BE DETERMINED BY LOCAL BOARDS

With the question of exemption or non-exemption next to be considered for those persons who registered in Hawaii's roll of honor on Tuesday, details contained in a circular by Brig-Gen. E. H. Crowder, provost marshal general in charge of the selective draft, which circular was published shortly prior to the draft in the mainland, are of interest.

Exemptions are to be determined by the local boards, the circular shows, only for the previously announced specified causes, such as responsibility for support of relatives and not for industrial or agricultural reasons. Seven days after designations are posted will be allowed for filing claims. Then there will be an additional allowance of ten days for filing proofs, and the board must decide within three days after the proof is filed.

Names Are Published
When the case of any registrant has been disposed of, so far as the local board is concerned, the names of those not exempted or discharged will be posted. Claims for exemption for agricultural or industrial work must be made within five days after such posting and must go direct to the higher board sitting for judicial district. Appeals for the rulings of local boards must be made to the high boards within ten days.

The steps a registered person should take are set forth in great detail in the circular. First of all the registrant is advised to find out the location of the office of his county or city local board and then ascertain, if he intends to claim exemption for agricultural or industrial reasons, to what district board he must apply. "Every board has numbered the cards in its jurisdiction with red ink in a series running from one to the number representing the total number of cards in its jurisdiction," continues the circular. "Lists showing the names of persons in the jurisdiction of each board and the red ink number of each card are open to inspection at the office of each board. Inspect the list and inform yourself of your red ink serial number."

These red ink numbers are to be drawn by lot, to determine the order in which registered persons are to be called by the various local boards. As soon as the drawing is complete, lists showing the order in which these red ink numbers are drawn will be published.

lished in the press, and will be posted at the office of each local board. Go to your local board and find out the order in which you stand for call.

"As soon as the quotas are assigned to each state each board will call upon persons whose cards are in its jurisdiction, instructing them to present themselves for examination. This call will be posted at the local board and the papers will be requested to print it. A notice will also be mailed you, but the posting of the list at the office of the board will be deemed sufficient notice to charge you with the duty of presenting yourself. Watch the lists at the office of your board and see when you are called for examination."

"You must report for physical examination on the day named in your call. If you are found physically disqualified, the board will give you a certificate which will explain to you what your further duties are."

For Claims of Exemption

"If you are found physically qualified and file a claim for exemption within seven days after your call, you will be given ten days after filing your claim of exemption to file proof in support of your claim of exemption."

"If you are found physically qualified and file no claims for exemption, or if you do not appear for physical examination, your name will be posted to the district board as one who was called for military service and was not exempted or discharged. On the eighth day after the call, or within two days thereafter, copies of the list of persons so posted to the district boards will be given to the press with a request for publication, will be posted in a place at the office of the local board accessible to the public view, and notice will be mailed to you at the address on your registration card."

"Therefore, watch the notices posted in the offices of the board about ten days after the day you were called and make arrangements for the prompt receipt of mail."

The grounds for exemption are set forth in the same language as in the preliminary regulations. The circular says the methods of proving exemptions will be detailed to the registrant and blanks furnished on application to the local board. The method of appeal also will be made plain, and it is set forth that appeals must be made within ten days after the local

Kipling Says:

'It ain't the guns, nor armament,
Nor funds that they can pay,
But the close co-operation that
Makes them win the day.
It ain't the individuals, nor
The army as a whole,
But the everlasting team work
Of every bloomin' soul'

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board has refused exemption, that the proof must be filed within another five days, and that a decision must be made five days thereafter.

"Only the district board," concludes the circular, "can receive claims for discharge on the ground that you are engaged in industry, including agriculture. . . . Only decisions of district boards on industrial claims for discharge can be appealed. If you desire to appeal the decision of the district board to the president, you may do so within seven days of the date of mailing to you of the decision of the district board."

As soon as your case is finally disposed of the adjutant general of your state will notify you by mail that you have been selected for military service.

"Notice that you have been selected for military service will not necessarily order you into service. The notice to report for military service will come when the government is ready to receive you."

PERSONALITIES

MRS. EDITH COUNTS has resigned as secretary to U. S. District Attorney S. C. Huber and Miss Frances M. McDermott has taken her place.

MISS HELEN ROSA is assisting her brother, W. Ladd Rosa, in the office of the federal clerk during the illness of Clerk Albert E. Harris.

SGT. JOSEPH PETER POIRSON, 3rd Company, Fort Kamehameha, has received his commission as captain in the officers' reserve corps, infantry arm.

GEORGE T. ARMITAGE, recently

a reporter on the Star-Bulletin, has written that he arrived safely at San Francisco on the ex-German steamer Elsas, on which he worked his way as coal passer.

HERBERT CULLEN, a former Punahou boy, is training for service in the University of Toronto Overseas Training Company. He writes that the work is hard but he likes it and hopes to secure a commission as lieutenant.

F. T. COPPOCK of Des Moines, Iowa, arrived in Honolulu on the Maui. He is on his way around the world gathering material for illustrated lectures and moving pictures and will leave Honolulu for the Orient either on August 17 or 28.

TO GIVE ILLUSTRATED LECTURE ON SCOUTDOM

Tonight at 7:30 o'clock the Makiki boy scouts, Troop XVIII, will give an illustrated lecture at the Christian church, Kewalo street. Scout Commissioner Roger N. Burnham will be the lecturer. All persons interested in the work of the boy scouts are invited. No admission will be charged but a collection will be taken at the close of the lecture to purchase needed equipment for the troop.

The territorial board of registration of nurses has announced that the time within which applications for registration may be made will be extended to August 15. All who are now nursing in the territory and who do not apply for registration on or before that date will be registered only after examination.

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